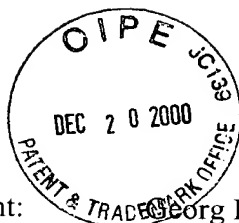


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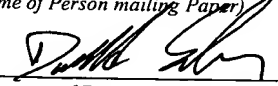
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Sir:

In response to the decision dated on August 29, 2000, concerning the above identified application, the conclusion stated that the papers filed under 37 CFR 1.42 were accepted. However, the decision further stated that proof of authority of the legal representative in compliance with 37 CFR 1.44 needed to be submitted before the grant of the patent. Subsequently, 37 CFR §1.44 has been deleted, and, according to *The Official Gazette*, the requirement for proof of authority made by an examiner can be satisfied by a reply referencing this final rule.

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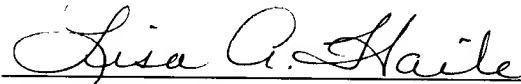
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Accordingly, the requirement for 37 CFR §1.42 has hereby been met by the present communication referencing *The Official Gazette*, week 38, 2000, as the final rule deleting 37 CFR §1.44 effective on September 8, 2000, as published in *The Federal Register* with 37 CFR §1.64.

No fee is believed to be due with this communication, however, if there is a fee, please charge deposit account number 50-1355.

Respectfully submitted,

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